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What a winter. We have forgotten how long and tough they can be. We are so happy that Rick, Curt and Kathy, Debbie and Stretch and Duane and Jermayne got Mom to Arizona in one piece, and made her stay enjoyable. Thank you so much to Dan and Rick for bring our precious Mother home to us all again. You all deserve a special gem on your crown for getting Mom out of this icy winterland for a while.

Congratulations to Nancy and Butch on their upcoming wedding. We all wish you many years of wedded bliss. May the Good Lord bless and keep you.

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March Birthdays

Mystique Deegan	Mar 04
Jack Mages	Mar 04
Bryant Mages	Mar 04
Kim Strate	Mar 09
Larry Fischer	Mar 12
Mike Mages	Mar 17
Rebecca Schmitz	Mar 19
Matt Mages	Mar 24
Suzanne Mages	Mar 28
Mary Kay Mages	Mar 30
Julia Strand	Mar 31

Woodbury Garage Sales...

are scheduled for May 14th and 15th this year. We realized last year that

Thursday (so the 13th) is also a very good day to hit the sales. You don't have the benefit of the book but there are a lot open if you just drive around and there are no crowds. The stuff doesn't get picked over so quickly like on Friday.

Unfortunately, Curt has a work conference during that time so he and I will be at a hotel in St. Paul. ☹ We won't be able to do the sales on Friday but Suzanne and Michelle are willing to host anyone who wants to come to our home! We (or at least I) will come home Thursday evening for the girls' band concert. Kathy

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Coming Events

March-2010- Baby due for James and Trish

March 03,2010-Snowmobiling and card playing Emerald Hideaway

March 06, 2010-Starlight Gala, Mankato, Mn.

March 06, 2010-Wedding of Nancy and Butch.

April-2010-Baby due for Greg and MaryKay

May 14, 15, 2010-Woodbury Garage Sales

May 28,29,30, 2010-Mom's Birthday Camping Party at Joe and Linda's for siblings and spouses

June-2010-Baby due for Gina and Todd

July 24 & 25 Mages Camping and picnic Sportsman's Park Sleepy Eye, Mn Host are Rick and Jane

August 28,2010-Wedding of Melanie and Stevie

September 18-19,2010-Sister's Weekend

Fall 2012- Trip to Germany

Starlight Gala

Hi Everyone,

The Annual Starlight Gala will be held Saturday March 6 at the Best Western in North Mankato with proceeds benefitting One Bright Star and Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention. The Starlight Gala is a charity event I have been involved with for the past 4 years (live auctioneer) and is a wonderful event.

Click on the link

http://www.magesland.com/sections/upcoming_bill. for more info. Feel Free to call me as well.

Thanks

Matt

Arizona



Arizona Continued



Everyone gave Mom a hand in painting the patio and the back of the garage. Thank You Everyone

Rick's cow barns that he oversees when he is in Arizona

Curt and Kathy in the desert 4-wheeling



Emerald Hideaway Weekend



- The weather on Jan 22nd didn't sound good, but the women were able to get their men out of the house anyway. Of course, us guys didn't mind as we had quite the variety of fun at Emerald HideAway. The fishermen supplied us with a great fish feast on Sunday morning. We had 2 large fish houses and a spear house going. The biggest fish of the weekend was a 6 pound Northern along with a lot of nice big crappies. The snowmobilers went on several runs each day. They managed to find some nice challenging hills to climb to keep everybody interested as there are a number of deep gravel pits nearby. We also toured all the nearby lakes, which was fun to see where people were fishing or just to see how the lakes layed. The main trail is only several miles away and follows along lots of lake shores etc but as usual, our group likes going off trail, hill climbing and ditch riding. The highlight of each day was the card playing. It seems there were always some card game or other going at all times back at the cabin. Each night we had a Texas Holdem tournament with Tim Mages winning Fri night and Andy Mages winning Sat night. Lots of Schnozzle was played by the older guys with cards usually going until 3 in the morning. Everyone took turns at cooking or cleaning, which made for a pleasant time. We were lucky enough to have nice snow this year. Hopefully we can be so lucky again next year. I hope I don't forget anyone, but those present were Dan, Greg, Brad, Jeremy, Tim, Butch, Larry, Ed, Randy, Matt, Adam, Joe, John, Andy, Jeff, Curt, Dave Fischer, Dean, Dave Nelson, Tom, Scott, Mike, Alex, Gary and Brent Mages, Lowell and Craig & Keith Mages, and Bob Serbus, and Andy's friend Kevin. Thanks everyone for coming, see you next year Jan 21 -23.

Emerald Hideaway Continue



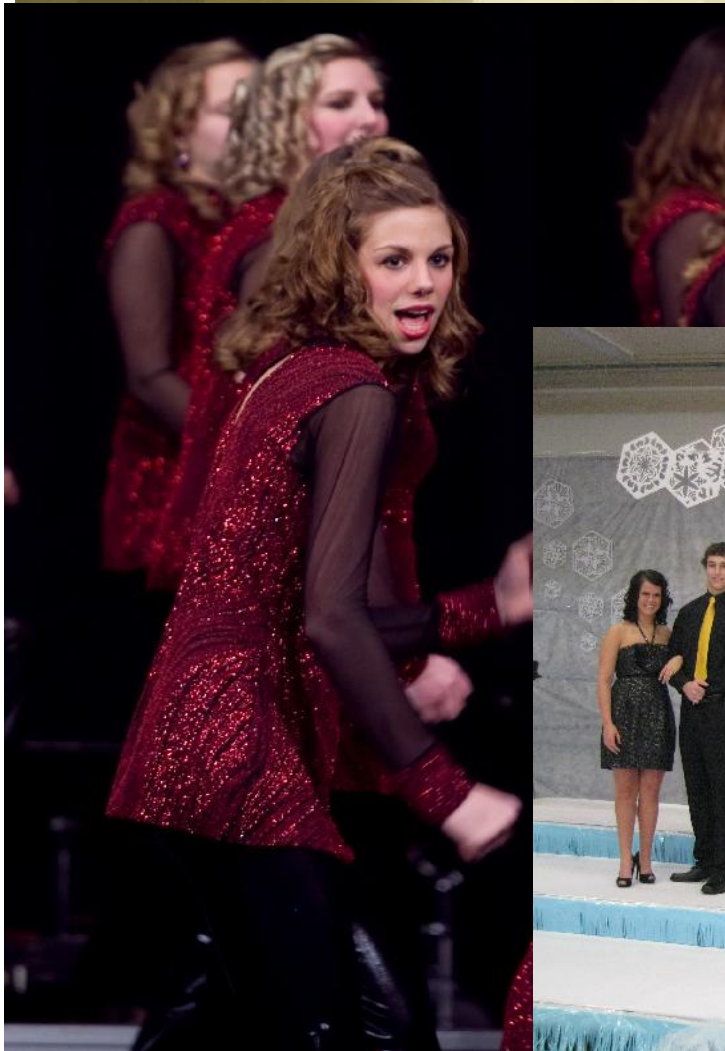


The outdoor version
of the Emerald
Hideaway Getaway



Congratulations Nancy and Butch

BUTCH AND I WOULD LIKE TO LET EVERYONE KNOW THAT WE ARE GOING TO BE MARRIED ON SAT MARCH 6,2010. WE DECIDED THAT WE WANT TO SPEND AS MUCH TIME TOGETHER AS WE CAN, GRAB AS MUCH HAPPINESS THAT WILL COME OUR WAY, LOVE, AND ENJOY LIFE TOGETHER WITH OUR FAMILIES . WE ARE GOING TO GET MARRIED AT THE CHURCH OF OUR LADY IN MANANNAH WITH MSGR GARVEY OFFICIATING AT THE MASS AND CEREMONY WITH BUTCH'S CHILDREN AND FAMILIES AND MY CHILDREN AND FAMILIES AND MOM (BARBARA) SHARING OUR LOVE AND HAPPINESS ON THAT DAY. WE KNOW HOW LIFE IS SO UNPREDICTABLE AND WE KNOW HOW PRECIOUS LIFE IS AND WE NEVER KNOW WHAT GOD'S PLAN FOR US IN LIFE IS-SO WE MUST GRAB WHAT HAPPINESS HE GIVES US. LOVE NANCY



Thought I'd also pass along a couple photos for the newsletter if you have room:
Michelle in Show Choir and Suzanne in Snow Week Royalty.
Thanks again!
Kathy



Hello Potential Snowmobiling and/or Cardplaying Candidates,

Since there is an abundance of snow locally this year, we decided to do our survivor snowmobile trip at Larry & Maggie's cabin. We will leave from Emerald Hideaway at about 10:00am on Wednesday morning, March 3rd and snowmobile the local area until supper time. Then we'll play cards on Wednesday evening at the Emerald Hideaway. Then after breakfast on Thursday morning, we'll snowmobile again until mid-afternoon at which time the survivors are free to head home.

Let Larry or I know if you are up to the challenge of either playing cards or snowmobiling with us.

Curt

Madeline's Graduation Party

Everyone is invited to a special open house graduation party in honor of Madeline Schmitz, who will be graduating from St. Mary's Catholic School in Sleepy Eye this Spring. The party will take place on Saturday, May 22nd from 4 to 7 pm at Tony and Lisa's farm located 3.5 miles East of Sleepy Eye at 23231, County Rd. 27. We would love to see you there.



Schmitz's to perform in Gerschwin's Production of "Crazy For You"

The St. Mary's High School musical production, "Crazy For You" will be taking place this year on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 26th, 27th and 28th. Madeline and Jessica Schmitz are both in the play, which will feature over 11 major dance numbers, many of which are tap dancing routines. Madeline plays the comic relief in the play as Patsy, a New York showgirl. Jessica will be starting her acting debut as an extra in some scenes and as a dancer in some of the major numbers. The Gerschwin production guarantees to take the audience on a "wild ride" and has a reputation for being very comical, entertaining and uplifting.

I am on the dinner theatre committee this year and would love to have family attend this formal banquet prior to the Saturday evening performance of the musical if you have the evening free and are looking for a relaxing and enjoyable night. Tickets are \$36 each and need to be reserved in advance so if you are interested in attending, please let me know by Monday, March 1st. The ticket includes a formal banquet including a topnotch meal prepared by the St. Mary's Catering Ladies, wine, beer and rootbeer, and then reserved seating for the 7:30 pm musical production over in the auditorium. The banquet, which takes place at the St. Mary's Church social hall, begins at 5 pm following a 4 pm mass (optional) up at St. Mary's church. We dinner theatre will be fully decorated in the "city meets country" theme of the play.

Finally, for those of you who wish to attend the musical on either Friday or Sunday, the times and ticket prices are below: I would be happy to reserve these tickets for you in advance and seat you with other relatives if you let me know soon enough. Please call me at 507-794-7570 (ideally by Mar. 1st) for more information or to reserve tickets.

Friday, March 26th Production...Adult \$8.50, 13-18 yrs \$5.50, and Pre-12 yrs. \$4.50

Sunday, March 28th Production....Adult \$8.50, 13-18 yrs \$5.50 and Pre-12 yrs. \$4.50

*Non-reserved/non dinner theatre tickets for the musical production will also be available at the door on Saturday evening, March 27th. (I would advise you to get in line early for the remaining/non-reserved spots so that you are not turned away as it usually sells out).

Wish Madeline and Jessica good luck!

Musical Theatre Times:

Friday, March 26th 7:30 pm

Saturday, March 27th, 7:30 pm

Sunday, March 28th, 2 pm

Lisa Schmitz

Mages Camping and Picnic

JULY 24, 2010-SPORTSMAN PARK IN SLEEPY EYE CAMPING---ALL 8 SITES RESERVED-LET US KNOW ABOUT \$10.00-\$20.00 PER SITE OR CALL FREEDOM STATION IN SLEEPY EYE 507-794-5724, THEY ARE UNDER OUR NAME. JULY 25,2010- SPORTSMAN PARK IN SLEEPY EYE 12:00 NOON DINNER. MORE UPDATES TO COME.



Barbara Theresa Pelzel Farrell

Thanks so much for the thoughts, prayers, memorials and food. The wall hanging and the angel are so beautiful. We are so grateful to have a wonderful family like all of you. It is very much appreciated.

Rick Jane and Family



Barbara Farrell
September 19, 1935
Januaru 21. 2010

*Perhaps you sent a lovely card,
Or sat quietly in a chair.
Perhaps you sent a floral piece,
If so we saw it there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words,
As any friend could say;
Perhaps you were not there at all,
Just thought of us that day.
Whatever you did to console our hearts
We thank you so much whatever the part.
The family of
Barbara Theresa Pelzel Farrell*